

Public Notice of Proposed Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Renewal and Notice of Exemption for the Pico Rivera Base, Southern California Gas

Public Comment Period: February 6, 2007 to March 23, 2007

The California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) is holding a 45-day public comment period and invites you to comment on a proposed Hazardous Waste Facility Permit renewal for the hazardous waste facilities at Southern California Gas Company's Pico Rivera Base. The Facility is located at 8101 South Rosemead Boulevard, Pico Rivera near the intersection of Rosemead Boulevard and Slauson Avenue. The draft permit renewal would allow the facility to continue to operate the existing hazardous waste drum storage activities located on the property.

The 45-day public comment period will start on February 6 and end on March 23 for the proposed permit renewal for the Facility. An Open House will be held on March 8, 2007 at 5:00 p.m. and the Public Hearing will follow at 6:30 p.m., El Rancho High School, 6501 S. Passons Blvd., Pico Rivera. We invite you to submit your comments/concerns in writing or orally at the public hearing. For accessibility and to request reasonable accommodations for the open house/public hearing, contact Leticia Hernandez at the telephone number listed below at least one week before the hearing.

The Southern California Gas Company (SCGC) is a natural gas distribution utility serving nearly all of southern and central California. SCGC has owned the site that the Facility is situated on since 1955. The Pico Rivera facility is a consolidation point for handling and shipping hazardous waste generated at other Gas Company facilities. The Company makes daily shipments of operational materials, such as small tools, pipe, paint, gas meters, to other operating facilities throughout Southern California. The same trucks, as registered hazardous waste transporters, bring hazardous wastes from these facilities to the Pico Rivera Base. The wastes are then sent to commercial hazardous waste disposal facilities after accumulation of sufficient quantities to allow for cost effective transportation and disposal.

Copies of the DTSC draft permit, facility application, proposed Notice of Exemption and other background information can be reviewed at the DTSC office file room, 1011 N. Grandview Avenue, Glendale, CA 90210, the telephone number is (818) 551-2886 and the hours of operation are from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Monday thru Friday. The documents are also at the Rivera Public Library, 7828 Serapis Avenue, Pico Rivera, CA 90660-4600, telephone (562) 949-5485 and hours of operation are: Mondays and Tuesdays: 12 – 8, Wednesdays & Thursdays: 1 – 6, Fridays: 1-5, closed Saturdays & Sundays. If you have any questions, please contact William Jeffers, Project Manager at 818-551-2185 or Leticia Hernandez, Public participation Specialist at (714) 484-5488 or toll free 1-866-495-5651. For Sempra Energy Utilities, Pat Canney, Environmental Specialist at (858) 653-3104.

Notice to the Hearing Impaired: TDD users can obtain information about this site by using the California State Relay Service at 888-877-5378 to reach Leticia Hernandez at (714) 484-5488 or 1-866-495-5651.

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